

unsaturated C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-monocarboxylic acids with C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-hydroxyalcohols or the ethoxylated or propoxylated derivatives thereof.--

**REMARKS**

Claims 12-16 are active in the case.

**Claim Amendment**

Claim 16 has been amended in order to recite that the scope of monomers described in Claim 16 includes the monoesters of  $\alpha,\beta$ -ethylenically unsaturated C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-dicarboxylic acids as specifically taught at page 9, lines 31-33 of the specification. The amendment corrects an oversight in the presentation of Claim 16 in the response filed March 29, 2002 in the application. Entry of the amendment under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.312 is respectfully requested.

It is now believed that the application is in proper condition for publication.

Respectfully submitted,

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**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend Claim 16 as follows:

--16. (Twice Amended) A process as claimed in Claim 14, wherein the monomer b is selected from the group consisting of  $\alpha,\beta$ -ethylenically unsaturated  $C_3$ - $C_8$ -monocarboxylic acids,  $\alpha,\beta$ -ethylenically unsaturated  $C_4$ - $C_8$ -dicarboxylic acids, the mononesters with  $C_1$ - $C_{12}$ -alkanols and anhydrides thereof, aromatic vinylcarboxylic acids, monoethylenically unsaturated sulfonic acids and phosphonic acids, esters of  $\alpha,\beta$ -ethylenically unsaturated  $C_3$ - $C_8$ -monocarboxylic acids with amino- $C_2$ - $C_8$ -alkanols, mono- $C_1$ - $C_4$ -alkylamino- $C_2$ - $C_8$ -alkanols or di- $C_1$ - $C_4$ -alkylamino- $C_2$ - $C_8$ -alkanols, N-vinyl lactams and esters of  $\alpha,\beta$ -ethylenically unsaturated  $C_3$ - $C_8$ -monocarboxylic acids with  $C_2$ - $C_8$ -hydroxyalcohols or the ethoxylated or propoxylated derivatives thereof.--